

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the first paragraph of text but before the second, please insert

--Background of the invention--.

Page 1, third paragraph (amended)

They are frequently employed in the form of single-sidedly or double-sidedly pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet strips (adhesive tape strips, adhesive strips), which preferably have a nonadhesive grip tab region from which the process of the ~~attachment~~ detachment is initiated. Particular applications of such self-adhesive tapes can be found, inter alia, in DE 42 33 872, DE 195 11 288, US 5,507,464, US 5,672,402, and WO 94/21157. Specific embodiments are described, for example, in DE 44 28 587, DE 44 31 914, WO 97/07172, DE 196 27 400, WO 98/03601, and DE 196 49 636, DE 197 20 526, DE 197 23 177, DE 297 23 198, DE 197 26 375, DE 197 56 084, and DE 197 56 816.

Page 4, line 13, please insert

--Summary of the invention--.

Page 4, after the paragraph bridging pages 3 and 4, please insert:

It has in fact been found that the devices or plastic parts, especially hooks, of this kind that exist have not been paid the attention appropriate to them, either in the patent literature or in practical use of the various commercially available products. Indeed, despit all of the efforts made to date, tearing occurs again and again during

detachment. Quite evidently, the problem has not been fully recognized. It is found that the adhesive sheets present on the market to date, which are redetachable without residue or destruction by extensive stretching in the bond plane, do not possess a device rendering them capable of very largely retaining tear-free redetachment even under relatively disadvantageous debonding characteristics and application influences. Equally, in many cases, the desired, visually neutral appearance during application is not achieved.

Page 4, third full paragraph, please cancel.

Page 7, before the second line of text, please insert:

--Brief description of the drawings--

Page 8, fourth paragraph (amended):

In all of the examples below, testing was carried out with single-layer adhesive sheets which are in accordance with the definition and have the following formulation:

- 50 parts ~~Escorez 5600~~ ESCOREZ 5600® (a hydrogenated tackifier resin from Exxon Chemical), 35 parts ~~Kraton~~ KRATON® G RP 6919 (a block copolymer of styrene-ethylene/butylenes-styrene, having isoprene side chains attached to the ethylene/butylenes midblock, i.e., (SEB)₂I₂, obtained from Kraton), 15 parts Kraton G 1657 (a clear linear triblock copolymer based on styrene and ethylene-butylene, available from Kraton), 0.5 part ~~Irganox~~ IRGANOX® 1010 (a sterically hindered antioxidant available from Ciba).

On the abovementioned formulation in a thickness of 650 μm , a tensile strength of 8.3 MPa and an elongation at break of 750% were measured.

Page 9, last paragraph (amended):

In accordance with example A, plates were produced by injection molding, except that in this case ~~— according to Figure 2a —~~ four different roughnesses were set.